

MOUNDS STATE PARK

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INTERPRETIVE CENTER HOURS: Daily 9:00am – 5:00pm
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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 AUTUMN HARVEST WEEKEND

11:00am – DYEING FOR NATURE – Nature provides an amazing palette of colors. Discover what pokeberry, walnuts, and sassafras leaves can do for fabrics and yarn. Bring a t-shirt, handkerchief, or other material from home, or we'll have some for you. (\$1 Craft Fee) **VC**

1:00-4:00pm-BRONNENBERG HOUSE OPEN-This historic house will be open for the public to view and to see the plans for its future restoration.

12:30pm-TREE ID HIKE-Learn how to identify common Indiana trees using their leaves. **VCP**

2:00pm – FALL HARVEST GAMES – Join us for Scarecrow Relay Races, Musical Bales, Nutty Squirrel, and more! **VCP**

7:00pm – HARVEST MOONLIGHT WALK – Join us for this evening stroll on our illuminated trail, and learn about the Harvest Moon and the bounty that autumn brings forth. **VCP**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1 AUTUMN HARVEST WEEKEND

11:00am – WOOLY BEARS – 'Tis the season for that wonderful wooly caterpillar. Discover what this amazing critter turns into, and make a wooly bear craft to take home with you. **VC**

12:30pm-PARK PATCH PROGRAM- Learn how visitors can earn a patch and become a Smokey's Friend (5-7 yrs. old), Jr. Naturalist (8 yrs. and up), or Hoosier Ecologist (top level). **VC**

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2:00pm – FALL HARVEST CRAFTS – Nothing ever goes to waste in nature. So let's make fun small crafts out of dried herbs, cornhusks, vines, and more. (\$1 Craft Fee) **VC**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7 A TREE-MENDOUS WEEKEND

10:00am- BARKING UP THE RIGHT TREE- Make your very own tree bark I.D. booklet while getting up-close and personal with a few trees. **VC**

12:30pm-GUIDEBOOK GUIDANCE-Learn how to use and understand a tree guide. **VC**

1:00-4:00pm-BRONNENBERG HOUSE OPEN-This historic house will be open for the public to view and to see the plans for its future restoration.

2:30pm- WOODLAND WANDER – Trees for dental hygiene? Join us on this discovery hike and learn about the variety of uses that Native Americans, Pioneers, and people today use trees. **VCP**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8 A TREE-MENDOUS WEEKEND

10:30am- TREE ID HIKE-Learn how to identify common Indiana trees using their leaves. **VCP**

12:30pm-PARK PATCH PROGRAM-See October 1st for details. **VC**

1:00-4:00pm-BRONNENBERG HOUSE OPEN-This historic house will be open for the public to view and to see the plans for its future restoration.

2:00pm-LEAF PRINTING WORKSHOP-Make a fashion statement this fall with your very own leaf-printed styles! Bring your own t-shirt, vest, other clothing item, or purchase a handkerchief from us. All other supplies will be provided. The fee for this workshop is \$1 (\$2 if you buy a handkerchief, too). Call (765) 649-8128 to pre-register for this program. **VC**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12

6:30pm – THE FRIENDS - Would you like to get involved with the park? See what our support organization, The Friends of Mounds State Park, is up to these days. Join a committee, find out how to attend one of their many programs, or just make some new friends! Meeting will take place at the Visitor Center. Refreshments provided.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

10:30am- MYSTERIES OF THE MOUNDS- Stroll into our prehistoric past on this easy hike. **VCP**

12:30pm- PARK PATCH PROGRAM-See October 1st for details. **VC**

1:00-4:00pm-BRONNENBERG HOUSE OPEN-This historic house will be open for the public to view and to see the plans for its future restoration.

2:30pm-REPTILE REFUGE- Learn where snakes, turtles, and lizards find refuge for the winter. **VC**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

11:00am- CRITTER FEEDING- Help the interpretive naturalist feed the nature center animals. **VC**
1:00-4:00pm-BRONNENBERG HOUSE OPEN-This historic house will be open for the public to view and to see the plans for its future restoration.
2:30pm-TREE ID HIKE-Learn how to identify common Indiana trees using their leaves. **VCP**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

7:00pm-9:00pm- SPOOKY CRITTERS TRAIL – Join us for this kid-friendly stroll through the woods on an illuminated trail. Discover some of the not-so-scary woodland animals here at Mounds State Park. ***Hikes are led in 30 minute intervals – 7:00,7:30,8:00,8:30. **VCP**
6:00pm, 7:00pm & 8:00pm- HISTORICAL HAPPENINGS – Kids of all ages will enjoy this candlelight tour of the Bronnenberg house. Step back in time and listen to stories about this famous family and some of the unexplained happenings at the house. **Bronnenberg House**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21- HAUNTED FALL FUNFEST

11:00am-2:00pm – FALL FUNFEST – Enjoy games, activities, and crafts. Spider toss, pumpkin bowling, Jack-o-lantern shoot out, and more. And no Halloween event is complete without cider, popcorn, or caramel apples. **In and around the Visitor Center**
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3:00pm-4:00pm – TRICK OR TREATING– Get your costume ready and take a tour the *campground* for safe and fun trick or treating. Open to the public - parking is available near the campground store.
4:30pm – CAMPSITE DECORATING CONTEST & CAMPFIRE COOKOUT - Judges will tour the campground and evaluate your creations. Participants can join us at **5:00pm at Campsite #1** for a chili supper. We’ll declare the winners of the campsite-decorating contest and handout prizes.
7:00pm-10:00pm- HAUNTED HOUSE & HAYRIDES- Join us for a frightfully good time! We’ve transformed the bathhouse into a haunted amusement park maze. Hayrides will take you into the woods and down the trail. Fees: Haunted House \$3/person; Hayride \$1/person. *Haunted House is recommended for kids ages 10 and up, and must be accompanied by parent.* **Pool Parking Lot**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22- FALL FUNFEST

1:00-4:00pm-BRONNENBERG HOUSE OPEN-This historic house will be open for the public to view and to see the plans for its future restoration.
2:00pm-PUMPKIN CARVING- Join us for some fall fun and pumpkin carving. Participants are asked to bring their own pumpkin, since only a limited amount of pumpkins will be available through the park. We’ll supply the stencils and tools. **VC**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25 – New Weekday Program

11:00am- MOUNDS MINGLE – If you are age 50 or older, you are invited to join us for this lunchtime social. You bring your favorite side dish or dessert and \$1, and we’ll provide a meat dish and drinks for this carry-in. After lunch, we’ll have a presentation. Please call ahead and pre-register before this program to help us prepare. 765-649-8128

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27- HALLOWEEN WEEKEND

7:00pm-9:00pm- SPOOKY CRITTERS TRAIL – Join us for this kid-friendly stroll through the woods on an illuminated trail. Discover some of the not-so-scary woodland animals here at Mounds State Park. ***Hikes are led in 30 minute intervals – 7:00,7:30,8:00,8:30. **VCP**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28- HALLOWEEN WEEKEND

10:30pm-NATURE’S COSTUMES- Wild animals try look like other things, all in the name of camouflage. Discover the wonderful world of animal impostors! **VC**
1:00-4:00pm-BRONNENBERG HOUSE OPEN-This historic house will be open for the public to view and to see the plans for its future restoration.
2:00pm- ANIMAL MASKS – Don’t have your Halloween costume yet? Make a mask of your favorite woodland animal. **VC**
7:00pm-10:00pm- HAUNTED HOUSE & HAYRIDES- Join us for a frightfully good time! We’ve transformed the bathhouse into a haunted amusement park maze. Hayrides will take you into the woods and down the trail. Fees: Haunted House \$3/person; Hayride \$1/person. *Haunted House is recommended for kids ages 10 and up, and must be accompanied by parent.* **Pool Parking Lot**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

12:30pm-PARK PATCH PROGRAM-See October 1 for details. **VC**
1:00-4:00pm-BRONNENBERG HOUSE OPEN-This historic house will be open for the public to view and to see the plans for its future restoration.
2:30pm- GOING BATTY- “They’ll get in my hair!” Learn the truth and the myths about bats. **VC**

LOCATION OF PROGRAMS:

